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## DOE Marks the Completion of Mound Site Cleanup Made Possible with Recovery Act Funding

**Miamisburg, Ohio** – Officials from the Department of Energy joined the Miamisburg Mound Community Improvement Corporation (MMCIC) and local government leaders today to celebrate final cleanup activities at the Mound Site. This will position the former nuclear weapons production and research facility for future economic development opportunities.

"The Department takes great pride in announcing that all cleanup activities at the Mound site have concluded," said Dr. Inés Triay, DOE Assistant Secretary of Environmental Management. "The Recovery Act meant we could perform additional cleanup work at Mound, further reducing the site's footprint and investing in the local community. We look forward to working closely with the local community to identify opportunities for a sustainable future."

A \$17.9 million investment from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act funded cleanup of the Operable Unit-1 (OU-1), a four-acre former landfill for hazardous and radioactive waste with a sanitary landfill constructed on top. The work, which involved removing 19,847 cubic meters of soil and debris, provided employment opportunities for 54 people and was completed in late August. Now that all cleanup activities are finished, the entire site will be transferred from federal ownership to MMCIC.

The 306-acre Mound Site supported the nation's nuclear weapons and energy programs from 1948 until decommissioning began in 1993.

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